Morton Grove Public Library

BOOKS & BEYOND

January - February 2016

2016 WINTER READING PROGRAM FOR ADULTS & TEENS

JANUARY 4 - FEBRUARY 14

We're *brewing up* a great Winter Reading Program with *a latte* of hot reads and exciting prizes this year!

Come to the Library starting January 4th to pick your *Read A Latte* bookmark. Read four books of any genre or format, rate them from hot to cold, and get a super cool double-walled traveller mug!

Every completed bookmark also doubles as a drawing ticket for a chance to win the Grand Prize – one of two Kindle e-readers. So, the more you read, the better your chances of walking away with your very own e-reader!

COMING TOGETHER:
A Celebration of
Latino & Hispanic Cultures

Celebrate Latino and Hispanic culture with this year's *Coming Together in Skokie and Niles Township* programs! This year, we have a wide range of activities throughout all of Niles Township, including Morton Grove, Skokie, Lincolnwood, and Niles. **See page 3 for details!**

LIBRARY NEWS

CHECK IT OUT!
Introducing the **new events calendar** that provides attractive and easy to navigate calendar view of our programs. Visit **mgpl.evanced.info/signup**

COMING SOON!
New online catalog, **Enterprise**, which will bring together our entire collection, including physical and digital titles, as well as many electronic resources.

LIBRARY SEEKS VOLUNTEERS!
Join our volunteer ranks to give back to the community! Volunteer opportunities include assisting staff with library programs, helping to translate library materials into non-English languages, participating in the "Adopt a Shelf" program, and more!

It is easy to join – fill out the online application, or print a copy at the volunteer webpage at **www.mgpl.org/about/volunteer**. You can also pick up a form at one of the Adult Services Info Desks. If you have any questions about volunteering or the opportunities available, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator by emailing volunteers@mgpl.org or calling 847-929-5115.

DO YOU HAVE OLD LPs?
We'll take those old records off your hands! The Library is now accepting donations of vinyl records, with original covers and in good condition, for an upcoming vinyl sale in April. Drop off donations at the Check-Out Desk between now and April 9 and keep an eye out for info on the sale.

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- **Online:** www.emergencyclosings.com
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YOUR WEEKEND FUN STARTS HERE!

ENJOY MONTHLY PERFORMANCES ON FRIDAY NIGHTS IN THIS AFTER-HOURS SERIES.

MOVIE NIGHT & OSCAR PREDICTION CONTEST

Join us for movie night at MGPL!
Enjoy complimentary popcorn and refreshments while you watch a great movie on the big screen and fill out an Oscar prediction ballot for a chance to win a Blu-ray/DVD player. No tickets or registration required!

THE MARTIAN (2015, PG-13, 2 hr 20 min)
Friday, Feb. 26, 6:30 pm
During a mission to Mars, an astronaut is presumed dead after a storm and is left behind. However, he has survived and finds himself stranded on the hostile planet. With only meager supplies, he must draw upon his ingenuity and spirit to subsist and find a way to signal to Earth that he is alive.

THANK YOU!

Flight Nite at the Library was a huge success with a sold-out crowd of over 85 people attending and $2,200 raised. Thank you to all who attended and especially to our Foundation volunteers and generous sponsors.

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¡Viva!

COMING TOGETHER:
A Celebration of
Latino & Hispanic Cultures

¡VIVA! Coming Together: A Celebration of Latino & Hispanic Cultures is the theme of this year's Coming Together in Skokie and Niles Township program, which offers a wide range of activities throughout all of Niles Township, including Morton Grove, Skokie, Lincolnwood, and Niles.

Morton Grove Public Library will be offering many *¡VIVA!* programs from January through March 2016. For more information and to see a list of all programs offered throughout Niles Township, see the CTISNT booklet or visit the CTISNT website at **comingtogether.in**

See MGPL events below.

BOOK TALK & DISCUSSION

BOOK TALK: SPOTLIGHT ON LATINO WRITERS
Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1 pm
See details on page 12.

BOOK DISCUSSION: *THE BOOK OF UNKNOWN AMERICANS*
by Cristina Henriquez
Thursday, Feb. 18, 10 am
Tuesday, Feb. 23, 7 pm

FILM SHOWING & DISCUSSION

EAST SIDE SUSHI: LATINO FILM SCREENING AND DISCUSSION
Presented by the International Latino Cultural Center of Chicago

Sunday, Mar. 6, 2 pm
(2014, NR, 1 hr 40 min) After being forced to give up her fruit-vending cart, Juana secures a position as a kitchen assistant at a local Japanese restaurant. At work, she secretly observes the sushi chefs and eventually teaches herself to make a multitude of sushi dishes. But gender and ethnicity turn into obstacles to her dreams of becoming a sushi chef. Cast: Diana Elizabeth Torres, Yutaka Takeuchi

FOR TEENS

DIY TEEN CRAFT: GUATEMALAN WORRY DOLLS
Friday, Mar. 4, 4 pm
Learn about worry dolls, tiny handcrafted dolls clothed in traditional Mayan costumes. According to Mayan legend, a worry doll takes over its owner's worries at night, so that they are gone in the morning. Make your own worry doll with fabric and yarn to try its relaxing powers for yourself.

CONCERTS

SAMUEL DEL REAL LATIN JAZZ TRIO CONCERT
Sunday, Feb. 7, 2 pm
Latin Jazz pianist Samuel Del Real and his jazz trio will entertain you with the hot rhythms of Latin America.

SOUNDS OF BRAZIL WITH DEDÉ SAMPAIO
All Ages
Saturday, Mar. 12, 2 pm
Explore a new culture with percussionist Dedé Sampaio. This program explores many aspects of Brazilian history, geography, and customs through its music. Adults and children will be invited to participate in a hands-on percussion line.

FOR KIDS

CREATE MOLA: PANAMANIAN-INSPIRED FOLK ART
Family
Friday, Feb. 26, 4:30 pm
See details on page 5.

A VERY SPECIAL LISTEN UP!: DRUM DREAM GIRL
Birth-Kindergarten with a parent/caregiver
Tuesday, Mar. 1, 10 am
Join us for a special Listen Up! featuring the book, *Drum Dream Girl,* by Margarita Engle. Explore the Cuban beats within the book and within yourself.

CRAFTY SATURDAY
Family
Saturday, Mar. 12, 9:30 am-4:30 pm
Join us for a special Crafty Saturday. Before or after enjoying the *Sounds of Brazil*, head to the Youth Services Department to create a colorful mini piñata!

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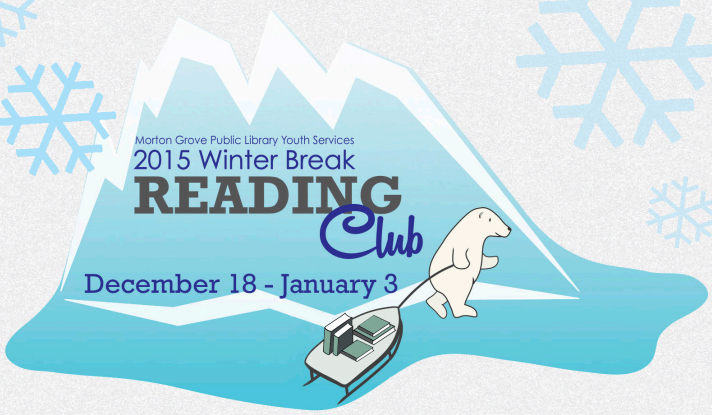


2015 WINTER BREAK READING CLUB

DECEMBER 18-JANUARY 3

Birth-Grade 6

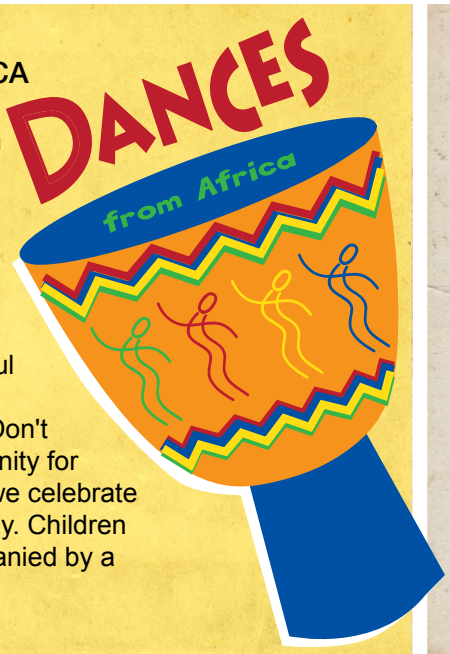
Spend your break from school earning awesome prizes at the library. Read books, make up poems, attend programs, research Arctic animals, and more to collect snowman stickers and earn cool prizes. **The program continues through January 3.** Sign up anytime! Last day to pick up prizes is January 3.

DANCES FROM AFRICA

Family

Monday, Jan. 18, 2-3 pm

The Soli Performing Arts Company will celebrate African culture through authentic dance, drum music, and stories for the entire family. Watch the dancers perform in colorful attire and listen to them play native instruments. Don't miss this exciting opportunity for multicultural learning as we celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent/caregiver.



THE IMPROV PLAYHOUSE PRESENTS: RUMPELSTILTSKIN

Family

Saturday, Feb. 27, 2-3 pm

The story of Rumpelstiltskin is a famous fairytale about the world's first ever name game and a "who done it" about some straw made out of gold. In this humorous twist on the classic tale, this rich and dramatic play explores the pitfalls of lies and boastfulness, while teaching the importance of being truthful even in a tangled situation. Join us as the Improv Playhouse spins this classic tale into a heap of entertainment gold. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent/caregiver.

Due to the popularity of these programs and limited space, we appreciate if you do not bring strollers into the Library for these events. The Library is not responsible for unattended belongings.

STORYTIMES: WINTER SESSION

Winter classes meet weekly from Jan. 18 to Feb. 26. Spaces are limited.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Ages 3-6 with parent/caregiver

Wednesdays, 10:30 am or 1:30 pm

Stories, crafts, and fun! Registration not required.

EXPLORERS

Grades K-2

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm

Make your way through a chapter book throughout this 6-week session. Activities and art each week. REG

TODDLER TIME

2-year-olds with parent/caregiver

Thursdays, 9:30 am or 11 am

A two-riffic storytime for two-year-olds! Registration not required.

COOL POLAR BEAR ART
Grades K-3
Saturday, Jan. 23, 2-3:30 pm
Create a fun, funky, and colorful polar bear in this creative art workshop. REG

WINTER WILDLIFE ART
Grades 3-6
Saturday, Jan. 30, 2-3:30 pm
Create colorful art featuring winter wildlife in this creative workshop. REG

DROP-IN CRAFT: MAKE YOUR OWN VALENTINES
Family
Monday, Feb. 1-Sunday, Feb. 14, all day
Have a special someone you want to make a card for? Stop in the library to create some Valentine's Day cards. Make as many as you like – make them for your whole class, for a special teacher, or for your mom or dad!

SWEETS FOR THE SWEET: CHOCOLATE DESSERTS!
Grades K-6
Saturday, Feb. 13, 2-3 pm
During this hour-long fun and informative demonstration, Chef Michael Niksic will teach about cooking with chocolate. Examples of chocolate will be shown and tasted, and recipes will be shared so participants can bring their chocolate-making skills home! Samples will be on hand and Chef Niksic will cover handling, storage, melting, uses and misuses of chocolate in the discussion. This program is not recommended for children with dietary restrictions. REG

CREATE MOLA: PANAMANIAN-INSPIRED FOLK ART
Family
Friday, Feb. 26, 4:30-5:30 pm
Make beautiful cut-paper collages inspired by the folk art tapestries of Panama. Mola style art uses nature, patterns, and intense color to create beautiful pictures that have a unique spirit. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent/caregiver.

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DROP-IN CLASSES

No registration needed for drop-in classes.

MONDAY MORNING PLAYGROUP
Family
Mondays, 10-11:30 am
Tired of those boring old toys at home? Drop in and meet new friends for play and fun.

YARN GANG
Grades 1 and up
Mondays, 4-5 pm
Want to learn to knit or crochet? Drop in; no experience needed.

LISTEN UP!
Birth-Kindergarten with parent/caregiver
Tuesdays, 10-11 am
Love stories, songs, and more? There are so many things you can learn when you open your ears and listen up.

WEE READ LAPSIT
Ages 0-24 months with parent/caregiver
Fridays, 9:30 OR 11 am
Stories and play for our littlest listeners. Older siblings are welcome.

DRAMA CLUB
Grades 1-6
Friday, Feb. 5, 4:30-5:30 pm
Will not meet in January.
Get creative with acting and improv!

POKÉMON CLUB
All Ages
Tuesdays, Jan. 19 and Feb. 16, 4:30-5:30 pm
Play the Pokémon Trading Card Game, catch up on your trades, and show off your very best cards. Participants must have their own decks. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent/caregiver.

CRAFTY SATURDAY
All Ages
Saturdays, Jan. 9 and Feb. 13, 9:30 am-4:30 pm
Make a seasonal craft (while supplies last).

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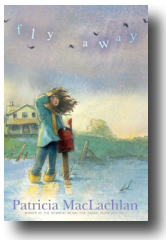
BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Registration for all Youth Services book discussion groups opens one month in advance of the meeting. Register at the YS Desk or by calling 847-929-5102. Registrants receive a copy of the book to keep.

MOTHER-DAUGHTER BOOK CLUB

Join Mrs. Glenn for Mother-Daughter Book Club. Bring your mother (or aunt, grandmother, neighbor, older sister or teacher) with you for a lively discussion and activities connected to the book of the month.

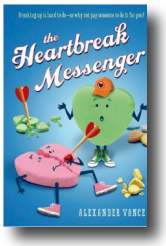
Grades 3-4

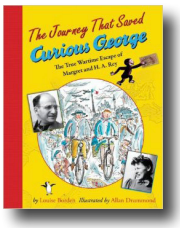


FLY AWAY by Patricia MacLachlan
Tuesday, Jan. 12, 7-8 pm; Reg. opens Dec. 12 REG

BABY MAMMOTH MUMMY: FROZEN IN TIME! by Christopher Sloan
Tuesday, Feb. 9, 7-8 pm; Reg. opens Jan. 9 REG

Grades 5-6



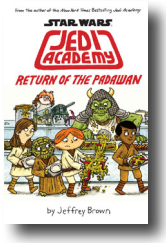


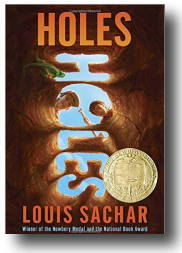
HEARTBREAK MESSENGER by Alexander Vance
Tuesday, Jan. 19, 7-8 pm; Reg. opens Dec. 19 REG

THE JOURNEY THAT SAVED CURIOUS GEORGE by Louise Borden
Tuesday, Feb. 16, 7-8 pm; Reg. opens Jan. 16 REG

GUYS READ Grades 3-5

Are you a guy who likes to read? Come along with your favorite grown-up for discussion and activities featuring the book of the month.





JEDI ACADEMY: RETURN OF THE PADAWAN by Jeffrey Brown
Tuesday, Jan. 5, 7-8 pm; Reg. opens Dec. 5 REG

HOLES by Louis Sachar
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 7-8 pm; Reg. opens Jan. 2 REG

KIDS FLICKS

Movies shown in the Baxter Room. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

MINIONS

(2015, PG, 1 hr 31 min)
Friday, Jan. 15, 4 pm
Evolving from single-celled yellow organisms at the dawn of time, Minions live to serve, but find themselves working for a continual series of unsuccessful masters, from T. Rex to Napoleon. Without a master to grovel for, the Minions fall into a deep depression. But one minion, Kevin, has a plan; accompanied by his pals Stuart and Bob, Kevin sets forth to find a new evil boss for his brethren to follow. Their search leads them to Scarlet Overkill, a super-villain who, alongside her inventor husband Herb, hatches a plot to take over the world.

SHAUN THE SHEEP MOVIE

(2015, PG, 1 hr 25 min)
Friday, Feb. 19, 4 pm
When Shaun decides to take the day off and have some fun, he gets a little more action than he bargained for. A mix up with the farmer, a caravan, and a very steep hill lead them all to the big city and it's up to Shaun and the flock to return everyone safely to the green grass of home.

BUILD IT! WITH LEGOS

Grades 3-6

Mondays, Jan. 4 and Feb. 1, 6-7 pm
Explore building, programming, and problem-solving with LEGOs, computers, and plug-in motors. Each session is a new build! REG

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD STORYTIME

Ages 3-5 with a parent/caregiver

Thursdays, Jan. 7 and Jan. 14, 10-11 am
Grow a passion for reading and learning about science. Young scientists will enjoy stories and simple hands-on Science Olympiad activities. Each week we will explore a different scientific concept in a way your young child can explore and learn. REG

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FAMILY FILM

Bring the whole family to enjoy a great movie and popcorn at MGPL! No tickets or registration required. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent/caregiver.

PAN (2015, PG, 1 hr 50 min)
Saturday, Jan. 30, 2 pm
12-year-old orphan Peter is spirited away to the magical world of Neverland, where he finds both fun and danger, and ultimately discovers his destiny – to become the hero who will be forever known as Peter Pan. Cast: Levi Miller, Hugh Jackman

MATH BRIGADE
Grades K-2
Join the Brigade! Learn a math skill and then work as a team to build something amazing.

Thursday, Jan. 14, 4:30-5:30 pm: Telling Time REG
Thursday, Feb. 11, 4:30-5:30 pm: Investigating Shapes REG

LET'S GET PHYSICAL WITH MY GYM
Ages 2-6
Saturday, Jan. 16 10:30-11 am
Enjoy dance, gymnastics skills, and movement with My Gym Children's Fitness Center of Skokie! Work on agility, balance, gross motor skills, and more. REG

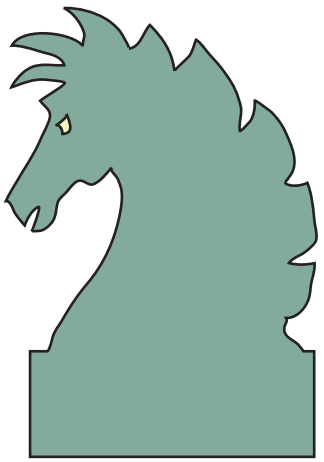
MATHEMATICS TEA PARTY
Ages 3-5 with parent/caregiver
Sundays, Jan. 17 and Feb. 21, 2-3 pm
You are cordially invited to a tea party with songs, stories, numbers, counting and more! REG

MONDAY NIGHT GAMING
Grades 3-6
Mondays, Jan. 18 and Feb. 15, 5:30-6:30 pm
Love to play games? Bring your skills and show us what you've got. We'll even pull out our gaming systems for more fun! No registration required.

K-2 Craftsters

Grades K-2
Thursdays, Jan. 21 and Feb. 18, 4:30-5:30 pm
Do you like doing arts and crafts projects? We do, too! Join us for a new project each month. Mess optional, art skills not required. REG

CHECKMATES CHESS ACADEMY
Grades 1-6
Mondays, Jan. 25 and Feb. 22, 7-8 pm
Learn how to play chess with a master chess expert from the CheckMates Chess Academy. Your child will start with the basics and eventually learn the advanced moves to win the game, all with fun activities and real chess matches.



MATH CLUB
Grades 3-6
Do you think math is scary? It doesn't have to be! Come to Math Club for tricks, tips, and activities to help make math awesome.

Tuesday, Jan. 26, 5-6 pm: Sports Math for the Win! REG
Tuesday, Feb. 9, 5-6 pm: Probability? Probably Awesome REG

MOVIN' & GROOVIN'
Ages 2-4 with parent/caregiver
Saturday, Feb. 6, 10-11 am
An active class featuring music, dancing, musical instruments, and more! REG

READ TO THE RAINBOW DOGS
Grades K-6
Monday, Feb. 8, 7-8 pm
Practice reading to a certified therapy dog from Morton Grove's own Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy Foundation. Bring what you want to read or choose from our selection of books. Sessions are offered every fifteen minutes beginning at 7 pm. To register, visit the library or call 847-929-5102. REG

TEENS

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Are you between the ages of 13 and 18?
Do you need somewhere to go where you can hang out with friends or meet new people? Then come to the library and discover all there is for you. Keep checking back for new programs!

TEEN TECH DROP-IN: GREEN SCREEN MADNESS

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 3:30-5 pm (Baxter Room)
Convince your Instagram followers that you are spending the winter somewhere tropical, or amaze your Facebook friends by sharing a video in which you star in your favorite movie. All of this and more can be done with the help of the library's new green screen and digital media software. Stop by to try it out and learn iMovie and Photoshop skills in the process.

ACT PRACTICE TEST: PROCTORED BY KAPLAN

Saturday, Jan. 16, 10 am (Baxter Room)
Prepare yourself for taking the ACT, the three-hour college entrance exam, by completing the free, full-length practice test published and proctored by Kaplan. You will receive your scores within two weeks, leaving plenty of time to practice, study, and improve before the big day in April. REG

TEEN LIBRARY COUNCIL (TLC)

Friday, Feb. 5, 4-5 pm (Teen Space)
Do you need volunteer service hours? Are you interested in meeting new people? If so, you need to be at TLC! Earn volunteer hours while discussing and planning programs, activities, and services for teens at the library and eating snacks. What's more, TLC members receive first priority to sign up for other fun and fulfilling volunteer opportunities and an invitation to a members-only party.

ANTI-VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY

Friday, Feb. 12, 3:30-5:30 pm (Teen Space)
Do you roll your eyes when obnoxiously romantic couples sneak their way into otherwise awesome action stories? Then the Anti-Valentine's Day Party is the event for you! Not so sick-of-love? Stop by anyway! We'll eat plenty of breath-destroying food, craft apathetic conversation hearts, and share playlists of our favorite anti-Valentine's songs and movies. You can even win free romanceless books and other door prize giveaways.

TEEN SCIENCE LAB: DIY LAVA LAMPS

Thursday, Feb. 25, 3-4:30 pm (Activity Room)
Make your own lava lamp using household ingredients and, of course, the magic of science. Groovy time is guaranteed! Supplies, instructions, and snacks will be provided. REG

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CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

Fun and rewarding opportunities are available to teen volunteers, including assisting with programs for kids, helping with getting ready for craft programs, and more! For more information, visit: **www.mgpl.org/teens/volunteer**

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

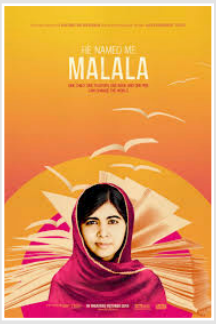
The book trivia competition for grades 6-8 will be starting soon. Cheer on your school's team beginning in February!

WE'RE ON INSTAGRAM!

Get photo updates on different library events and happenings! Follow **@MGPLib**

For **KIDS FLICKS**, see page 6. For **MOVIES, MUNCHIES & MORE**, see page 11.

MOVIE MATTERS: DOCUMENTARY FILM



HE NAMED ME MALALA (2015, PG-13, 1 hr 30 min)
Saturday, Jan. 9, 2 pm
A look at the events leading up to the Taliban's attack on Pakistani schoolgirl, Malala Yousafzai, for speaking out on girls' education, and on the positive impact she has had on human rights.

FAMILY FILM

Bring the whole family to enjoy a great movie and popcorn at MGPL! No tickets or registration required.

PAN (2015, PG, 1 hr 50 min)
Saturday, Jan. 30, 2 pm
12-year-old orphan Peter is spirited away to the magical world of Neverland, where he finds both fun and danger, and ultimately discovers his destiny – to become the hero who will be forever known as Peter Pan. Cast: Levi Miller, Hugh Jackman

SILVER SCREEN SERIES

Films from the "Golden Age of Cinema" and other famous favorites are shown on a **NEW DAY -- the 1st Friday every month.**

SABOTEUR (1942, NR, 1 hr 50 min)
Friday, Feb. 5, 2 pm
Aircraft factory worker Barry Kane goes on the run across the United States when he is wrongly accused of starting a fire that killed his best friend. Cast: Priscilla Lane, Robert Cummings

HOT TICKET

Did you miss the latest blockbuster movie when it was in theaters? We are giving the hottest movies a second run for free on the 3rd Thursday every month.

THE INTERN (2015, PG-13, 2 hr)
Thursday, Jan. 21, 2 & 6:30 pm
A 70-year-old widower discovers that retirement isn't all it's cracked up to be and becomes a senior intern at an online fashion site. Cast: Robert De Niro, Anne Hathaway

SICARIO (2015, R, 2 hr)
Thursday, Feb. 18, 2 & 6:30 pm
An idealistic FBI agent is enlisted by a government task force to aid in the escalating war against drugs at the border area between the U.S. and Mexico. Cast: Emily Blunt, Josh Brolin

CRITICS' CHOICE CINEMA

A selection of critically acclaimed independent and foreign films

SECRETS OF WAR (2014, NR, Dutch with English subtitles, 1 hr 35 min)
Sunday, Jan. 24, 2 pm
In a Nazi-occupied Dutch village, three children struggle to remain friends as their parents take differing sides in the war.

SECOND COMING (2014, NR, English, 1 hr 45 min)
Sunday, Feb. 28, 2 pm
A close-knit family tries to cope with an unexplained pregnancy.

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SHAKESPEARE PROJECT OF CHICAGO [redacted] 50-MINUTE HAMLET

Sunday, Feb. 21, 2 pm
Adapted by Jeff Christian, 50-Minute Hamlet presents Shakespeare's most enduring tragedy. Utilizing just two actors, 50-Minute Hamlet contains many of The Bard's most famous lines and speeches while retaining much of his saga's pathos, poetry and passion.

The Shakespeare Project of Chicago has presented this adaptaion of Hamlet to numerous Chicago audiences since its premier in 2002. It has won the acclaim of adults, students and teachers alike each time it has been presented.

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MGPL WRITERS WORKSHOP

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Wednesday Jan. 6, 7-8:30 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 3, 7-8:30 pm

The MGPL Writers Workshop is for writers who want to share their works-in-progress and support other writers in drafting, revising, and finishing manuscripts, essays, poems, or any other type of writing. Readings can be in any genre or format. Writers of any level or professional aspiration are welcome.

Visit **www.mgpl.org/writers-workshop** for more details!

ESL CONVERSATION GROUP

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 3-4 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 10, 3-4 pm

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CONVERSATION GROUP
Practice speaking English in an informal and friendly group setting. Discussions will focus on a variety of practical, everyday and general interest topics. REG

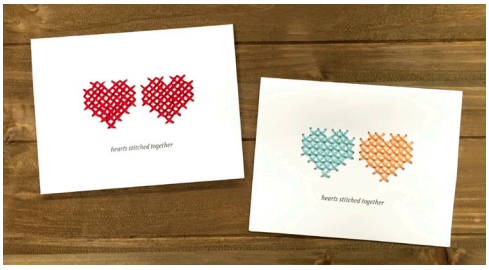
GET HOOKED: CRAFTS

SHARPIE MUGS

Saturday, Jan. 23, 10 am

Use sharpie markers to create designs on a mug. Warm up this winter with your very own personalized mug – perfect for your winter coffee, tea, and hot chocolate! All supplies will be provided. For ages 13 or up. REG

HEART STITCHED VALENTINES



Saturday, Feb. 6, 1 pm

Create valentines with a hand-stitched heart design. All supplies will be provided. For ages 13 or up. REG

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MOVIES, MUNCHIES & MORE

Join us every Tuesday at 11:30 am and enjoy coffee and cookies while watching a feature film, documentary, live presentation, or demonstration.

FILM: PAPER TOWNS (2015, PG-13, 1 hr 50 min)
Tuesday, Jan. 5, 11:30 am
After an all night adventure, Quentin's life-long crush, Margo, disappears, leaving behind clues that Quentin and his friends follow on the journey of a lifetime. Cast: Nat Wolff, Cara Delevingne

FILM: SPY (2015, R, 2 hr)
Tuesday, Jan. 12, 11:30 am
In this comedy, a desk-bound CIA analyst volunteers to go undercover to infiltrate the world of a deadly arms dealer, and prevent diabolical global disaster. Cast: Melissa McCarthy, Rose Byrne

FILM: THE BLIND SIDE (2009, PG-13, 2 hr)
Tuesday, Jan. 19, 11:30 am
The story of Michael Oher, a homeless and traumatized boy who became an All American football player and first round NFL draft pick with the help of a caring woman and her family. Cast: Quinton Aaron, Sandra Bullock

FILM: MAX (2015, PG, 1 hr 50 min)
Tuesday, Jan. 26, 11:30 am
A dog that helped US Marines in Afghanistan returns to the U.S. and is adopted after he suffers a traumatic experience. Cast: Thomas Haden Church, Josh Wiggins

FILM: GROUNDHOG DAY (1993, PG, 1 hr 40 min)
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 11:30 am
A weatherman finds himself living the same day over and over again. Cast: Bill Murray, Andie MacDowell

FILM: THE NOTEBOOK (2004, PG-13, 2 hr)
Tuesday, Feb. 9, 11:30 am
A poor and passionate young man falls in love with a rich young woman and gives her a sense of freedom. They soon are separated by their social differences. Cast: Rachel McAdams, Ryan Gossling

FILM: THE WALK (2015, PG, 2 hr)
Tuesday, Feb. 16, 11:30 am
In 1974, high-wire artist Philippe Petit recruits a team of people to help him realize his dream: to walk between the tops of the World Trade Center towers. Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Charlotte Le Bon

FILM: EVEREST (2015, PG-13, 2 hr)
Tuesday, Feb. 23, 11:30 am
A climbing expedition on Mt. Everest is devastated by a severe snow storm. Cast: Jason Clarke, Ang Phula Sherpa

For more movie listings, see page 9.

CRAFTING for Charity

Saturday, Jan. 9, 10 am–12 pm
Saturday, Feb. 13, 10 am–12 pm

Nothing says comfort in the winter more than a warm scarf and hat. We are looking for knitters and crocheters who are willing to make scarves and/or hats for charity. Plan to join us with your needles/hooks and enthusiasm. Completed items will be donated to the Niles and Maine Township food pantries.

Can't make either date, but want to participate? Email us at info@mgpl.org, and we'll get back to you with the details.

Not a knitter or crocheter, but want to help? We are looking for donations of any color of worsted weight acrylic yarn to be used for this project. Email us at info@mgpl.org, and we'll get back to you with yarn requirements.

KNITTING ROUNDTABLE
Mondays from 2-4 pm
Expert knitter and Library volunteer, Ronnie Rund, will show you how to knit or to solve knitting challenges. Bring your current knitting project(s) and needles.

SCRABBLE FOR ADULTS
Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2-4 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2-4 pm
Exercise your brain and enjoy friendly games of Scrabble with other word-lovers.

LOW VISION FAIR

Friday, Apr. 1, 1-4 pm

LOCATION: The East Wing, Glenview Senior Center (2400 Chestnut Ave)

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Low Vision Fair! This event will feature a keynote speaker, vendors, vision testing, and glaucoma screening. More information will be available as we approach the event.

BOOK TALKS

at the American Legion Memorial Civic Center of Morton Grove

Join us at the Civic Center at 6140 Dempster Street for monthly book talks. Bring your Library card; books will be available for checkout. No registration required.

BOOKS SET IN EXOTIC LOCATIONS
Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1 pm
Travel to exotic locations and immerse yourself in fascinating cultures, all without the cost of a plane ticket! Books of all genres will be featured.

SPOTLIGHT ON LATINO WRITERS
Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1 pm
To celebrate *Viva! Coming Together: A Celebration of Latino & Hispanic Cultures*, this book talk will feature top contemporary Latino writers who explore their identity and heritage through novels and nonfiction writing.

WALK 'N TALK BOOK GROUP

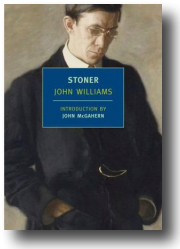
Walk 'n Talk Book Group is taking a winter break.

We'll get moving again in March!

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

between the lines

Between the Lines meets at MGPL at two different times. No registration required. New members are warmly welcome!

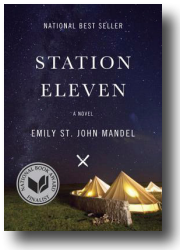


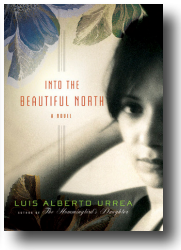
STONER by John Williams
Thursday, Jan. 21, 10 am
Tuesday, Jan. 26, 7 pm

THE BOOK OF UNKNOWN AMERICANS by Cristina Henriquez
Thursday, Feb. 18, 10 am
Tuesday, Feb. 23, 7 pm

LitLounge

LitLounge meets in the Irish pub, The Curragh, at 8266 Lincoln Ave. in Skokie.





STATION 11 by Emily St. John Mandel
Wednesday, Jan. 13, 7:30 pm

INTO THE BEAUTIFUL NORTH
By Luis Alberto Urrea
Wednesday, Feb. 10, 7:30 pm

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IMPORTANT DETAILS

- Unless otherwise specified, all workshops are hands-on and taught on PCs using Microsoft Windows 7.
- Morton Grove Public Library cardholders have priority.
- **Full lists of prerequisites can be found at mgpl.evanced.info/signup or by calling the Info Desk at 847-929-5101.**

HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS

INTRODUCTION TO EXCEL 2010
Thursday, Feb. 4, 7-8:30 pm;
Reg. opens Jan. 21, 9 am
Learn simple formatting and entering/editing data. REG

DO MORE WITH EXCEL 2010
Thursday, Feb. 18, 7-8:30 pm;
Reg. opens Jan. 21, 9 am
Perform calculations with formulas and functions. REG

INSTAGRAM
Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2-3 pm;
Reg. opens Jan. 26, 9 am
Learn how to post photos and follow other users on the world's most popular photo-sharing app. Be sure to bring your smartphone or tablet and your Instagram account info. REG

SMARTPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY
Do you know all the capabilities of your device's camera? Learn how to take, edit and share photos with your iPhone, iPad, or Android phone or tablet. REG

iPHONE & iPAD PHOTOGRAPHY
Friday, Feb. 12, 2-3:30 pm;
Reg. opens Jan. 29, 9 am

ANDROID PHOTOGRAPHY
Friday, Feb. 19, 2-3:30 pm;
Reg. opens Feb. 5, 9 am

BOOK A LIBRARIAN

Morton Grove cardholders can now schedule an appointment for one-on-one technology training with a librarian. To schedule an appointment call the Info Desk at 847-929-5101 or fill out a request form at **www.mgpl.org/events/book-a-librarian**

LECTURE / DEMOS

INTRODUCTION TO WINDOWS 10
Saturday, Jan. 9, 10-11:30 am; Reg. opens Dec. 21, 9 am
Whether you already have Windows 10 or are thinking about upgrading, attend this lecture/demo to get an overview of the new features and tools. REG

CUT THE CABLE CORD
Thursday, Jan. 28, 7-8:30 pm; Reg. opens Dec. 21, 9 am
Learn how you can slash your cable bill by streaming TV and movies! We will cover services such as Netflix and Hulu and devices such as Roku and Chromecast. We will also feature how to use Hoopla to stream music, movies and more for free with your MGPL library card! REG

SOCIAL MEDIA 101: THE BASICS OF SOCIAL MEDIA FOR BUSINESS
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 7-8:30 pm; Reg. opens Dec. 21, 9 am
Have you been thinking about marketing your business with social media? We'll take a look at the five most popular social media networks – Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Google+ and Pinterest – and help you decide what is best for your business. Presented by Norbert Barszczewski, SCORE Chicago volunteer. REG

MGPL DIGITAL MEDIA LAB

MAKE YOUR MOVIE WITH iMOVIE
Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2-3 pm; Reg. opens Dec. 29, 9 am
Get an up-close tutorial on how to use Apple's iMovie program to import, edit, and share your own movies. REG

CONVERTING YOUR VHS HOME MOVIES
Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2-3 pm; Reg. opens Jan. 6, 9 am
Tuesday, Feb. 16, 10-11 am; Reg. opens Feb. 2, 9 am
Have old home movies on VHS that you want to convert to a DVD or digital format? We can show you how in our new Digital Media Lab. REG

INTRODUCTION TO GARAGEBAND
Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2-3 pm; Reg. opens Feb. 3, 9 am
Get an up-close tutorial on how to use Apple's GarageBand program to record, edit, and share your own musical and audio creations. REG

JANUARY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

* Registration required

EVERY MONDAY
10 AM Monday Morning Play Group (Family)
2 PM Adult Knitting Roundtable
4 PM Yarn Gang (Grades 1 and up)

EVERY TUESDAY
10 AM Listen Up! Drop-in story time (Birth-Kindergarten)
11:30 AM Movies, Munchies & More! (Adults)

EVERY FRIDAY
9:30 AM & 11 AM Wee Read Lapsit (Ages 0-24 months)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1
CLOSED for New Year's Day

MONDAY, JANUARY 4
6 PM Build It! with LEGOs (Grades 3-6)*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5
11:30 AM Film: *Paper Towns*
7 PM Guys Read: *Jedi Academy: Return of the Padawan* (Grades 3-5)*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6
1 PM Book Talk: Books Set in Exotic Locations at the American Legion Memorial Civic Center, Morton Grove
7 PM MGPL Writers Workshop

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7
10 AM Science Olympiad Storytime (Ages 3-5)*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9
9:30 AM Crafty Saturday (All Ages)
10 AM Introduction to Windows 10*
10 AM Crafting for Charity
2 PM Movie Matters: Documentary: *He Named Me Malala*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12
11:30 AM Film: *Spy*
2 PM Make Your Movie with iMovie*
3:30 PM Teen Tech Drop-In: Green Screen Madness
7 PM Mother-Daughter Book Club: *Fly Away* (Grades 3-4)*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13
3 PM ESL Conversation Group*
7:30 PM LitLounge book discussion: *Station 11* at The Curragh, Skokie

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14
10 AM Science Olympiad Storytime (Ages 3-5)*
4:30 PM Math Brigade (Grades K-2)*
7 PM Library Board Meeting

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15
4 PM Kids Flicks: *Minions*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16
10 AM ACT Practice Test: Proctored by Kaplan
10:30 AM Let's Get Physical with My Gym (Ages 2-6)*

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17
2 PM Mathematics Tea Party (Ages 3-5)*

MONDAY, JANUARY 18
2 PM Dances from Africa (Family)
5:30 PM Monday Night Gaming (Grades 3-6)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19
11;30 AM Film: *The Blind Side*
4:30 PM Pokémon Club
7 PM Mother-Daughter Book Club: *Heartbreak Messenger* (Grades 5-6)*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20
10:30 AM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
1:30 PM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
2 PM Scrabble for Adults
2 PM Converting Your VHS Home Movies*
6:30 PM Explorers (Grades K-2)*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21
9:30 AM Toddler Time (Age 2)
10 AM Between the Lines book discussion: *Stoner*
11 AM Toddler Time (Age 2)
2 & 6:30 PM Hot Ticket: *The Intern*
4:30 PM K-2 Craftsters (Grades K-2)*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23
10 AM Get Hooked Crafts: Sharpie Mugs*
2 PM Cool Polar Bear Art (Grades K-3)*

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24
2 PM Critics Choice Cinema: *Secrets of War*

MONDAY, JANUARY 25
7 PM CheckMates Chess Academy (Grades 1-6)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26
11:30 AM Film: *Max*
5 PM Math Club (Grades 3-6)*
7 PM Between the Lines book discussion: *Stoner*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27
10:30 AM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
1:30 PM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
6:30 PM Explorers (Grades K-2)*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28
9:30 AM Toddler Time (Age 2)
11 AM Toddler Time (Age 2)
7 PM Cut the Cable Cord*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30
2 PM Family Movie: *Pan*
2 PM Winter Wildlife Art (Grades 3-6)*

Monthly calendars are available at the library for pick-up.

FEBRUARY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

* Registration required

EVERY MONDAY
10 AM Monday Morning Play Group (Family)
2 PM Adult Knitting Roundtable
4 PM Yarn Gang (Grades 1 and up)

EVERY TUESDAY
10 AM Listen Up! Drop-in story time (Birth-Kindergarten)
11:30 AM Movies, Munchies & More! (Adults)

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9:30 AM & 11 AM Wee Read Lapsit (Ages 0-24 months)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1
6 PM Build It! with LEGOs (Grades 3-6)*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2
11:30 AM Film: *Groundhog Day*
7 PM Social Media 101: The Basics of Social Media for Business*
7 PM Guys Read: *Holes* (Grades 3-5)*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3
10:30 AM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
1 PM Book Talk: Spotlight on Latino Writers at the American Legion Memorial Civic Center, Morton Grove
1:30 PM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
6:30 PM Explorers (Grades K-2)*
7 PM MGPL Writers Workshop

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4
9:30 AM Toddler Time (Age 2)
11 AM Toddler Time (Age 2)
7 PM Introduction to Excel 2010*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5
2 PM Silver Screen Series: *Saboteur*
4 PM Teen Library Council
4:30 PM Drama Club (Grades 1-6)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6
10 AM Movin' and Groovin' (Ages 2-4)*
1 PM Get Hooked Crafts: Heart Stitched Valentines*

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7
2 PM Samuel del Real Latin Jazz Trio Concert

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8
7 PM Read to the Rainbow Dogs (Grades K-6)*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9
11:30 AM Film: *The Notebook*
2 PM Instagram*
5 PM Math Club (Grades 3-6)*
7 PM Mother-Daughter Book Club: *Baby Mammoth Mummy: Frozen in Time!* (Grades 3-4)*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10
10:30 AM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
1:30 PM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
3 PM ESL Conversation Group*
6:30 PM Explorers (Grades K-2)*
7:30 PM LitLounge book discussion: *Into the Beautiful North* at The Curragh, Skokie

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11
9:30 AM Toddler Time (Age 2)
10 AM Adult Spelling Bee practice session
11 AM Toddler Time (Age 2)
4:30 PM Math Brigade (Grades K-2)*
7 PM Library Board Meeting

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12
2 PM iPhone & iPad Photography*
3:30 PM Anti-Valentine's Day Party (Teens)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13
9:30 AM Crafty Saturday (All Ages)
10 AM Crafting for Charity
2 PM Sweets for the Sweet: Chocolate Dessert! (Grades K-6)*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15
5:30 PM Monday Night Gaming (Grades 3-6)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16
10 AM Converting Your VHS Home Movies*
11:30 AM Film: *The Walk*
4:30 PM Pokémon Club
7 PM Mother-Daughter Book Club: *The Journey That Saved Curious George* (Grades 5-6)*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17
10:30 AM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
1:30 PM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
2 PM Scrabble for Adults
2 PM Introduction to GargageBand*
6:30 PM Explorers (Grades K-2)*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18
9:30 AM Toddler Time (Age 3)
10 AM Between the Lines book discussion: *The Book of Unknown Americans*
11 AM Toddler Time (Age 3)
2 & 6:30 PM Hot Ticket: *Sicario*
4:30 PM K-2 Craftsters (Grades K-2)*
7 PM Do More with Excel 2010*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19
2 PM Android Photography*
4 PM Kids Flicks: *Shaun the Sheep Movie*

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21
2 PM Mathematics Tea Party (Ages 3-5)*
2 PM Shakespeare Project of Chicago: 50-Minute Hamlet

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22
7 PM CheckMates Chess Academy (Grades 1-6)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23
11:30 AM Film: *Everest*
7 PM Between the Lines book discussion: *The Book of Unknown Americans*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24
10:30 AM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
1:30 PM Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-6)
6:30 PM Explorers (Grades K-2)*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25
9:30 AM Toddler Time (Age 2)
11 AM Toddler Time (Age 2)
3 PM Teen Science Lab: DIY Lava Lamps*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26
4:30 PM Create Mola: Panamanian-Inspired Folk Art (Family)
6:30 PM MGPL After Dark: Movie Night and Oscar Prediction Party: *The Martian*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27
2 PM The Improv Playhouse Presents: Rumpelstiltskin (Family)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28
2 PM Critics' Choice Cinema: *Second Coming*

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Friday 9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Main: 847-965-4220
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Info Desk: 847-929-5101
Youth Services Desk: 847-929-5102

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Events: mgpl.evanced.info/signup

Online renewals: renewals.mgpl.org

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Teen Services: teeninfo@mgpl.org
Youth Services: ysinfo@mgpl.org

PHOTO AND VIDEO POLICY
Library visitors are reminded that attendance at programs constitutes consent to be photographed or videotaped for Library purposes. If you or your child do not wish to be photographed or videotaped, please notify staff.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE
Patrons needing special assistance should call 847-965-4220 or email info@mgpl.org.

CHANGES AND CANCELLATIONS
Classes, programs, and films are subject to change and may be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. Please call the Library at 847-929-5101 (for adult and teen programs) or 847-929-5102 (for children's programs) to confirm scheduled events.

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Thurs., Dec. 24 and Fri., Dec. 25 for Christmas
Thurs., Dec. 31 closing early (5 pm)
Fri., Jan. 1 for New Year's Day

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SENIOR ADULT SPELLING BEE

Illinois adults age 50 and over can showcase a lifetime of knowledge and demonstrate their spelling skills through three levels of spelling competition: local, regional, and the State Finals.

LOCAL SPELLING BEE

The local competition will be held on **Wednesday, Mar. 16, 10 am,** at the Morton Grove Public Library. REG

In order to get ready for the local competition, two practice sessions will be held at MGPL. Drop in at either or both of the practice sessions:
Wednesday, Feb. 11, 10-11 am
Wednesday, Mar. 9, 10-11 am

Culver's of Morton Grove is co-sponsoring the local bee and will donate prizes for winning spellers.

The winner and runner up of the Local Bee will go on to compete at the Regional Spelling Bee; date and location to be announced in April.

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